I told him that my Gujarati friends should not embarrass me like that.

There was another occasion when one of my Hon'ble friends in the Bombay Legislative Assembly was moving a resolution on Narmada Valley Project. The Hon'ble Member who moved the resolution did not know English. Neither the Secretary nor I knew Gujarati. The Hon'ble Member stood up and spoke for two minutes in Gujarati. I was funky and so was the Secretary. I asked the Hon'ble Member what he was doing. He could not reply in English. The Hon'ble Member who was sitting just by his side told me that he was moving the resolution. Then, I said 'all right'. The Hon'ble Member began to speak in Gujarati and he did so for two minutes more. Even after that, he did not allow me to propose the resolution to the House. Then, I asked him what the matter was. Another Hon'ble Member who was sitting by his side told me that he had moved the resolution and also finished his speech. I hope that such an occasion would not arise here.

There are two Hon'ble Members here who know Marathi. They may speak in Marathi here. I really thank them for helping me to keep my broken Marathi alive.

I once again thank the Hon'ble Members heartily for having elected me as the Speaker and I once again assure them that I will be as fair minded and impartial as the circumstances and the chair require. I also assure the Opposition that I will, without fear, give them the protection that they need whenever they are in need of it. I did give such protection to the Opposition in Bombay whenever the occasion demanded it.

With these remarks, I once again thank you all.

The business before the House being over now, the House will now rise and meet in the afternoon at 4-30 P.M.

Business of the House.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—Before we disperse now, I have a suggestion to make regarding the programme so that you can give a definite answer tomorrow. According to the programme, only two days are allotted for the debate on the address of the Governor. I think that this period is insufficient. I am saying this so that you can consult the Leader of the House and come to a decision tomorrow. The strength of the House is now nearly 200 and two days for this debate are very insufficient. So, I request you, Sir, to allot at least two more days for discussing the address of the Governor. The old Assembly consisted only of 100 members and we were having two days for discussing the address of the Governor. Now, with this enlarged Assembly consisting of nearly 200 members, two days for this purpose are very insufficient. I, therefore, request you, Sir, to consult the Leader of the House and see that four days are allotted for this purpose. For 100 members we were having two days and so for 200 members we should naturally have four days.

Sri H. S. RUDRAPPA (Minister for Agriculture).—I think, Sir, that the request is too premature because the address is not before the House and so it cannot be considered now.

Mr. SPEAKER.—As all Hon'ble Members know, the Address will be given to them in the evening and we need not consider the request as too premature at this stage. Of course, the point of order raised by the Hon'ble Member Sri Imam might be considered by the Leader of the House. I have no objection to that.

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—It depends very much on how the speeches go on.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—They will go on in quite a royal style.

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—Still, we will watch the temper of the House and then decide.

Mr. SPEAKER.—As all Hon'ble Members know, we are meeting to-day at 4-30 P.M. because the Governor is going to address.

The House adjourned at Twenty Minutes past Twelve of the Clock.

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